

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

January 7, 2019

President Mike Yoder called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in room 104 in the County Administration Building, 117 North Second Street, Goshen, Indiana. The other two (2) Board members, Frank Lucchese and Suzie Weirick, were also present. Others present were Patricia Pickens, County Auditor; Craig Buche, County Attorney; Jeff Taylor, County Administrator and Anita Mock Executive Assistant.

On a motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the December 17th, December 26th & December 31st 2018 meetings and placed them on file.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board elected officers and approved the various assignments as follows:

President – Mike Yoder
Vice President – Frank Lucchese
MACOG – Suzie Weirick
St. Joseph River Basin – Suzie Weirick
Drainage Board – Mike Yoder
Plan Commission – Frank Lucchese
Oaklawn – Mike Yoder
Local Coordinating Council (LCC) – Kris Krueger
Community Corrections Advisory Board (CCAB) – Suzie Weirick
CCPA – Personnel Liaison – Frank Lucchese
Affirmative Action (EEOC) – Frank Lucchese
Emergency Management Board – Suzie Weirick

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved the appointments to various county departments and also approved appointments to various boards in the county for 2019.

Superintendent, Buildings & Grounds – Matt Grubb
Veteran's Service Officer – James Snowden
County Highway Engineer – Kent Schumacher
Manager of Transportation
Director Human Resources – Kirt Hunsberger
Director IT – Matt Dietz
Weights & Measures – Todd Barrows
Emergency Management Director – Jennifer Tobey
County Administrator – Jeff Taylor
County Attorney – Craig Buche

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On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Allowance of Claims as presented by the County Auditor's office.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Public Official Bonds for 2019.

Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from the Northwest Gateway TIF Fund for \$54,500 for Umbaugh TIF Neutralization, Annual Expense Reimbursement Agreement including new Umbaugh Services and Bond fees for Umbaugh/Regions Bank. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from the Millersburg II TIF Fund for \$3,000 for Umbaugh TIF Neutralization and Annual Expense Reimbursement Agreement including new Umbaugh Services. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from the South Benton TIF Fund for \$1,750 for Umbaugh TIF Neutralization and Annual Expense Reimbursement Agreement including new Umbaugh Services. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from the Western Gateway TIF Fund for \$1,500 for Umbaugh TIF Neutralization and Annual Expense Reimbursement Agreement including new Umbaugh Services. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from the Middlebury SE TIF Fund for \$11,500 for Umbaugh TIF Neutralization and Annual Expense Reimbursement Agreement including new Umbaugh Services. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from the Middlebury AG TIF Fund for \$3,500 for Umbaugh TIF Neutralization and Annual Expense Reimbursement Agreement including new Umbaugh Services. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from the County Road 6 and County Road 17 Northeast TIF Fund for \$278,500 for Umbaugh TIF Neutralization, Annual Expense Reimbursement Agreement including new Umbaugh Services, Annual Bond Payments and Bond Fees for Umbaugh/Regions Bank. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from the North Baugo TIF Fund for \$1,250 for TIF Neutralization and Annual Expense Reimbursement Agreement including new Umbaugh Services. On motion made by Frank Lucchese seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from the State Road 13 TIF Fund for \$2,000 for Umbaugh TIF Neutralization and Annual Expense Reimbursement Agreement including new Umbaugh Services. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from the Redevelopment Fund for \$4,000 for meals during conferences, fees for conferences and education, mileage for trips, meal for 2019 RDC meeting for board members, software purchases and computer tablet purchase. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from Unsafe Building Fund for \$3,307 for payment received which will be redirected to this fund for future demolition projects. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from the Plan Commission Fund for \$25,000 for expense for Umbaugh Services to be paid out of Plan Commission Budget. Funds will be reimbursed by the TIFF through the annual expense reimbursement agreement. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from EDIT Fund for \$1,500,000 for funds required to reconstruct Bridge #410 (County Road 36 east of US Highway 33). Also, funds utilized for miscellaneous repairs to roads and bridges, and funds for the design & ROW doc prep for added buggy lanes along County Road 40 between State Road 19 and County Road 7. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from Cumulative Bridge Fund for \$680,000 for annual appropriation for miscellaneous repairs to bridges, funds needed for Bridge 369 Quail Island repairs and funds required to rehab Bridge #354 (County Road 43 south of US Highway 6). On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from Motor Vehicle Highway Fund for \$9,500 for funds needed to pay for data processing services and funds to pay for job posting services. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from Motor Vehicle Highway Fund for \$15,000 for funds to rebuild flatbed semi-trailer. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Engineer, Kent Schumacher, requested approval for traffic control ordinance to post "STOP" sign on Barrington Drive at County Road 25. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Engineer, Kent Schumacher, requested approval of the INDOT LPA Agreement for Professional Services for County Road 40 from Wakarusa Town limits to County Road 7. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Engineer, Kent Schumacher, requested approval of installation of a "HILL BLOCKS VIEW" sign located at 21410 County Road 142. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

County Highway Engineer, Kent Schumacher, requested approval of installation of a "HILL BLOCKS VIEW" sign located at 59773 County Road 21. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

County Highway Engineer, Kent Schumacher, requested approval of installation of "CHEVRON WARNING" sign on the County Road 18 curve at County Road 33. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

County Highway Engineer, Kent Schumacher, requested approval of installation of 30MPH with all streets plaque on El Dorado Drive at County Road 18. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

County Highway Engineer, Kent Schumacher, requested approval of installation of STOP SIGNS on both approaches of County road 13 and County Road 40, installation of STOP AHEAD signs on both approaches of County Road 13 and installation of ALL WAY plaques below all the stop signs at the intersection. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of the annual Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement form for Tom Stump. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of the annual Council Member Disclosure of Family Member's Proposed Contract with Elkhart County form for Dave Hess. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Weights & Measures report for November 16th to December 15th, 2018.

BOARD ITEMS:

County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of the annual 2019 TIF Fund Reimbursement Agreement in addition to the \$25,000 previously approved for the Plan Commission. The reimbursement total is \$203,000. He advised the agreement has been in place since 1997. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of Engagement Agreement with Yoder, Ainlay, Ulmer & Buckingham for Legal Services. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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AUDIENCE ITEMS:

Glen Null spoke on several different items and concerns.

On a motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned their meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Anita Mock